Population Estimates

Alberta's population continued to have the highest year over year growth rate among all provinces. The second quarter of 2009 indicated net inflows of people to Alberta from interprovincial (4,737) and international (6,089) sources, as well as net non-permanent residents (2,594).

As of July 1, 2009, Alberta's population was estimated to be 3,687,662 (Table 1). This count represents a year over year increase of approximately 91,795 persons (2.55%) since July 1, 2008. Although Alberta's population growth rate has slowed since 2007, it presently remains double the national rate of 1.24%.

TABLE 1: POPULATION & GROWTH RATES CANADA & ALBERTA

	Population			Yearly Growth Rate	
July 1	Canada	Alberta	July 1	Canada	Alberta
2005	32,312,077	3,280,728			
2006	32,576,074	3,421,253	2006	0.82%	4.28%
2007	32,931,956	3,513,106	2007	1.09%	2.68%
2008	33,327,337	3,595,867	2008	1.20%	2.36%
2009	33,739,859	3,687,662	2009	1.24%	2.55%

Source: Statistics Canada

Population estimates for July 1, 2009 and growth rates (since July 1, 2008) for all provinces and territories are provided in Table 2. Across all provinces, Alberta had the highest growth rate, year over year. British Columbia and Saskatchewan had the next highest growth rates both at 1.63%, followed by Manitoba at 1.32%.

Migration

In the second quarter of 2009, Alberta had the largest interprovincial migration gain in Canada (Table 3). The province gained 4,737 people in interprovincial migration, which is a decrease of approximately 2,400 net interprovincial migrants from last year (July 1, 2008). The interprovincial gain in this quarter was primarily attributed to the net inflow of migrants from Ontario (3,653) and Quebec (869). Alberta also had a net loss of interprovincial migrants to British Columbia (-930), Newfoundland (-50), and Saskatchewan (-31).

Alberta's international migration remained strong in this quarter with a net inflow of 6,089 international migrants. This number remains consistent with the second quarter of 2008. There were fewer net non-permanent residents (2,594) in the second quarter of 2009 than in previous quarters (see Table 4). When compared to last year (July 1, 2008), this represents a decrease of more than 4,600 non-permanent residents.

Natural Increase

In the second quarter of 2009, Alberta posted a natural increase (births minus deaths) of 8,046 people. The province experienced 13,361 births and 5,315 deaths. This natural increase is slightly higher than that of the second quarter of 2008 (7,752).

TABLE 2: POPULATION OF PROVINCES/TERRITORIES AS OF JULY 1, 2009 & GROWTH RATES SINCE JULY 1, 2008

	NL.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	ALTA.	B.C.	Y.T.	N.W.T.	NVT.
Population	508,925	140,985	938,183	749,468	7,828,879	13,069,182	1,221,964	1,030,129	3,687,662	4,455,207	33,653	43,439	32,183
Growth Rate	0.49%	1.10%	0.17%	0.31%	0.97%	1.03%	1.32%	1.63%	2.55%	1.63%	1.45%	-0.64%	1.77%

Source: Statistics Canada

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TABLE 3: ORIGIN & DESTINATION OF INTERPROVINCIAL MIGRANTS
APRIL 1 TO JUNE 30, 2009

Destination

Origine	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	AB.	B.C.	Y.T.	NWT	NVT.
Nfld and Lab.	0	38	421	99	99	527	21	11	1,121	115	0	48	39
Prince Edward I.	20	0	193	100	14	325	12	0	212	107	0	0	0
Nova Scotia	377	236	0	635	171	1,363	154	23	1,551	634	6	0	31
New Brunswick	187	60	789	0	481	926	35	43	889	260	6	5	7
Quebec	119	38	377	526	0	5,698	175	331	1,952	1,010	26	36	35
Ontario	1,393	179	1,623	907	3,765	0	1,128	1,329	8,416	4,588	67	161	79
Manitoba	50	4	85	48	122	1,299	0	491	1,574	560	4	18	19
Saskatchewan	48	56	46	40	183	700	820	0	2,848	850	6	34	0
Alberta	1,171	183	961	772	1,083	4,763	1,135	2,879	0	7,692	82	161	74
British Columbia	217	72	391	392	877	3,840	624	988	6,762	0	172	62	16
Yukon Territory	0	0	0	0	42	22	0	25	73	240	0	17	10
Northwest Terr.	53	0	0	29	0	81	16	53	267	109	17	0	32
Nunavut Terr.	23	0	11	19	21	85	60	8	28	0	0	39	0

	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	AB.	B.C.	Yukon	NWT.	NVT.
In Migration	3,658	866	4,897	3,567	6,858	19,629	4,180	6,181	25,693	16,165	386	581	342
Out Migration	2,539	983	5,181	3,688	10,323	23,635	4,274	5,631	20,956	14,413	429	657	294
Net Migration	1,119	-117	-284	-121	-3,465	-4,006	-94	550	4,737	1,752	-43	-76	48

Source: Statistics Canada

TABLE 4: ALBERTA MIGRATION BY QUARTER

	Interprovincial Migration			International Migration					Total	NPR*	Total+NPR
Quarter	In	Out	Net Interprovincial	Immigrants	Emigrants	Net Temporary Emigrants	Returning Emigrants	Net International Migration	Total Net Migration	Net Non-Permanent Residents	Net Migration Including Net NPR
2005											
Jan-Mar	18,653	10,363	**8,290**	4,355	931	505	582	**3,501**	**11,791**	488	**12,279**
Apr-Jun	25,803	14,638	**11,165**	5,291	1,082	541	1,068	**4,736**	**15,901**	761	**16,662**
Jul-Sep	25,027	14,884	**10,143**	5,591	1,920	718	1,280	**4,233**	**14,376**	1,621	**15,997**
Oct-Dec	20,824	7,004	**13,820**	4,168	1,050	522	496	**3,092**	**16,912**	256	**17,168**
Total	*90,307*	*46,889*	***43,418***	*19,405*	*4,983*	*2,286*	*3,426*	***15,562***	***58,980***	***3,126***	***62,106***
2006											
Jan-Mar	23,163	10,843	**12,320**	4,727	1,033	519	536	**3,711**	**16,031**	1,546	**17,577**
Apr-Jun	22,820	13,308	**9,512**	5,445	1,170	549	885	**4,611**	**14,123**	2,210	**16,333**
Jul-Sep	34,456	17,727	**16,729**	5,714	2,309	747	2,233	**4,891**	**21,620**	2,988	**24,608**
Oct-Dec	20,628	12,950	**7,678**	4,832	1,280	543	601	**3,610**	**11,288**	1,185	**12,473**
Total	*101,067*	*54,828*	***46,239***	*20,718*	*5,792*	*2,358*	*4,255*	***16,823***	***63,062***	***7,929***	***70,991***
2007											
Jan-Mar	18,625	13,900	**4,725**	4,015	980	483	579	**3,131**	**7,856**	4,106	**11,962**
Apr-Jun	21,947	17,270	**4,677**	5,595	1,252	538	935	**4,740**	**9,417**	5,826	**15,243**
Jul-Sep	26,228	24,023	**2,205**	6,171	2,343	755	2,233	**5,306**	**7,511**	4,823	**12,334**
Oct-Dec	15,614	13,579	**2,035**	5,085	1,268	540	601	**3,878**	**5,913**	2,487	**8,400**
Total	*82,414*	*68,772*	***13,642***	*20,866*	*5,843*	*2,316*	*4,348*	***17,055***	***30,697***	***17,242***	***47,939***
2008											
Jan-Mar	18,572	14,710	**3,862**	5,352	961	480	579	**4,490**	**8,352**	3,985	**12,337**
Apr-Jun	24,023	16,808	**7,215**	7,196	1,232	534	935	**6,365**	**13,580**	7,241	**20,821**
Jul-Sep	30,265	25,338	**4,927**	6,455	2,347	754	2,233	**5,587**	**10,514**	7,604	**18,118**
Oct-Dec	20,152	13,954	**6,198**	5201	1,279	541	601	**3,982**	**10,180**	4,480	**14,660**
Total	*93,012*	*70,810*	***22,202***	*24,204*	*5,819*	*2,309*	*4,348*	***20,424***	***42,626***	***23,310***	***65,936***
2009											
Jan-Mar	24,982	17,838	**7,144**	5,279	962	480	579	**4,416**	**11,560**	4,380	**15,940**
Apr-Jun	25,693	20,956	**4,737**	6,925	1,237	534	935	**6,089**	**10,826**	2,594	**13,420**
Jul-Sep	*n/a*	*n/a*	***n/a***	*n/a*	*n/a*	*n/a*	*n/a*	***n/a***	***n/a***	*n/a*	***n/a***
Oct-Dec	*n/a*	*n/a*	***n/a***	*n/a*	*n/a*	*n/a*	*n/a*	***n/a***	***n/a***	*n/a*	***n/a***
Total	*50,675*	*38,794*	***11,881***	*12,204*	*2,199*	*1,014*	*1,514*	***10,505***	***22,386***	***6,974***	***29,360***

* Estimates of non-permanent residents (NPRs) represent the number of non-permanent residents living in Canada. The five following groups are referred to as NPRs: (1) persons residing in Canada claiming refugee status; (2) persons residing in Canada who hold a study permit; (3) persons residing in Canada who hold a work permit; (4) persons residing in Canada who hold a Minister's permit; (5) all non-Canadian born dependants of persons claiming refugee status, or of persons holding study permits, work permits or Minister's permits and living in Canada.

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